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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of )  
Shunpei YAMAZAKI )  
Serial No. 08/926,592 ) Art Unit: 2813  
Filed: September 9, 1997 ) Examiner: M. Whipple  
For: LAYER MEMBER FORMING )  
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**SUPPLEMENT TO PRIOR INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**AND NOTIFICATION OF RELATED APPLICATION**  
**AND REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRIOR**  
**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.99, it is requested that the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record in the above-identified application.

Pursuant to Applicant's duty of candor under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant

a cleaning of the chamber wall.

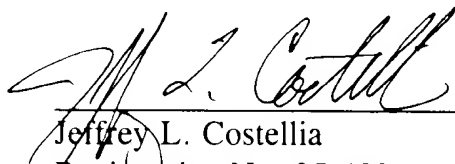
Applicants have not, however, received an initialed Form PTO-1449 acknowledging the Information Disclosure Statements filed January 21, 2000; February 14, 2000; and August 17, 2000. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner evidence consideration of the references cited in the aforementioned IDS by providing a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449.

Further all the references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed March 12, 1999 have not been properly considered by the Examiner. In the Office Action of August 5, 1999, the Examiner provided a copy of the Form PTO-1449. However, the Examiner marked through the references without considering them and/or stating any reasons for not considering the references. Hence, Applicants respectfully resubmit the references for proper consideration by the Examiner.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16, 1.17, 1.20(a), 1.20(b), 1.20(c), and 1.20(d) (except the Issue Fee) which may be required not or hereafter, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2380.

A copy of the references cited on the attached Form PTO-1449 is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a).

Respectfully submitted,

  
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